

OUR DAILY BREAD  
Sliced Thin by The Editor  
Alex. H. Washburn

## Hope's Electric Trouble Is of Long-Range Nature; No Particular Crisis Now

When the Hope city council holds its open meeting at the city hall at 7:30 tonight for public discussion of the Burns & McDonnell report on the municipal electric plant, and the alternative of purchasing power from the "high lines," it would be wise to soft-pedal any talk about "crisis."

We don't have to buy any machinery at once, nor do we have to deal at once with outside sources of power — either private or federal. I've been digesting the 32 pages of the Burns & McDonnell report; and that's what it says. As a matter of fact it rates the municipal plant situation so well today that it remarks on Page 30: "In view of the apparent substantial amount of surplus, serious consideration should also be given to a reduction in electric rate schedules."

What the city government spent \$3,000 with Burns & McDonnell for — and very well spent — wasn't about our situation today at all. It was to get a picture of Hope's electric power position at long range. And that's what we'll be discussing tonight.

As of today everyone knows the electric plant is immeasurably better off than in the 1930s, when demand during the cotton-ginning season pushed the generators so hard it was sometimes necessary to cut off the street lights; and voltage was low all over town.

But the long-range picture is a different matter. Hope has no electric power but the municipal plant's, and for one reason or another it has never been able to deal with the industry we already have, much less offer power to prospective new industry. Either the power wasn't available in sufficient volume, or industry, citing rates in effect elsewhere, demanded a quotation below what the city could generate and distribute it for.

Enter at this point the Burns & McDonnell engineering survey. The recommendations of this report are that over the next 20 years we replace all our existing generators, enlarge our present installed capacity from 4,000 KW to 14,500 KW, and attempt to take care of present and future industry with 100-per-cent-locally-generated power.

This would cost, over 20 years, roughly 3 million dollars — and that's the least part of the gamble. The real gamble is this:

In the 22 years I've known it the municipal plant hasn't been able to satisfy industry. Will it do so in the next 20 years?

If we guess wrong on that one we've let our town in for an economic disaster.

I never heard of a private power system which operated 22 years without having all adjoining industries on its lines.

Nevertheless I believe in municipal water & light plants, as a means of servicing domestic consumers and supporting a richer and better municipal government than is found under private power ownership. But for industrial purposes there must be a compromise. Hope has to have some outside source of power for industry, and without the co-operation of the city government we are very likely to run through the 1950-60 decade as we did 1940-50 — with the poorest population-growth record of any sizable city in Arkansas.

The compromise? This is just an idea, for whatever it's worth:

Hope might study about setting up a municipal plant commission such as they have in Conway and Jonesboro, which also own their utilities. And the commission might find it advisable to go ahead with the first step outlined by the Burns & McDonnell report, spending \$787,600 for just one new generator and accessories.

This 2,500 KW machine would replace our present obsolete 500 KW generator, raising installed capacity from 4,000 KW to 6,000 KW. But at the same time we would enter into contracts for a high-line substation which would give us additional power for industry now and for the city in the future.

I have no confidence in a 20-year expansion program of locally-generated power meeting our situation. Burns & McDonnell are assuming that fuel gas will go on costing us only 10 cents per thousand cubic feet — when as a matter of fact the competition raised by the transcontinental "big inch" gas lines could ruin us . . . and in my opinion will, unless we hedge against it.

Interconnected power draws on many fuels, water, gas, coal; and generated and distributed in vast quantities over areas with varying peak loads it is sold at a price which our neighbor town of Prescott says is below its own cost of production, wherefore Prescott has started buying outside power and is keeping its municipal plant for "standby" purposes only.

I think we ought to keep our plant running, and improve it the first "step" recommended by Burns & McDonnell — but look to interconnected power for the future. And, by all means, get the quotations on interconnected power . . . now.

## Calf and Cow Stolen From SPG Farms

A small angus calf and a cow are reported missing by their owners and local officers believe they have been stolen. Both were taken from the Proving Ground area and each owner has had stock stolen previously.

The cow belonged to Bill Stroud and the calf to Joe Amour. County and State Police are investigating.

## New McCaskill Group to Meet

There will be a meeting of the newly-organized Community Center at McCaskill school Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come for a pot luck dinner.

## Wiley Williams, of Emmet, Dies in Hope Hospital

Wile Williams, aged 82, a resident of Emmet, died Sunday in a Hope Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, Mrs. May Prescott of Emmet; Mrs. Mildred Russell and Mrs. Callie Dougan of Hope; three sons, Clyde, Leroy and Clarence Williams of Emmet, a sister, Mrs. Levia Hickman of Camden; four brothers, Lumpkin Williams of Lufkin, Texas; Bob of Rosston, Lomie and Harvey Williams of Camden.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the home by the Rev. Elbert O'Steen. Burial will be in Snell Cemetery.

## Blowout Forces Car Off Highway, Nobody Hurt

An auto driven by Daniel T. Senn of Fontana, California went out of control when a tire blew out about 12:30 p.m. Sunday, six miles East on Highway 67, but nobody was injured.

The auto went off the highway careened off a couple of fence posts but damage was light.

State Policeman Louie Hilton investigated.

Officer Wins  
Turkey Call

Yellville, Nov. 19 (P) — Bob White, a Little Rock, Ark., policeman, won the 1951 national turkey-calling contest here Saturday.

He defeated Postmaster Luther Cavanagh of Yellville who was second, and former Champion Monte Barham of Tulsa, Okla.

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## Duck Calling Contest 2 p.m. Tuesday

The first annual duck calling contest will be held in Hope tomorrow afternoon at 2 p.m. The contest will be held on a platform on second street between Main and Elm and will be presented over a sound system as well as broadcast by KXAR. Entrants will vie for prizes in four divisions. A cash prize of \$25. will be awarded to the winner of the sportsmen's division as well as in the professional guide's division. Women callers will be placed in a separate division and the fourth division will be reserved for children under 15. Merchandise prizes will be awarded in the latter two divisions.

Entrants are required to pay no fee and may qualify by contacting Dorsey McFay or the Chamber of Commerce Office.

Judges for this unique event will be duck calling experts from outside this area. Duck callers from everywhere in Southwest Arkansas are urged to participate.

Spectators are invited to attend this unusual event. The contest is being sponsored by the Southwest Arkansas Duck Club.

## Icy Air Puts Chill Over Most of U. S.

By The Associated Press

Icy air gave most of the nation a numbing chill over the weekend and some eastern states had heavy snowfalls to go along with the freezing weather.

Snow fell for 24 hours without a letup in some sections of Pennsylvania, dumping 18 inches at Kane. Heavy snow also smacked parts of Ohio, West Virginia and Vajac, with 15 inches reported near Cleveland.

Cold weather extended over a vast area. Florida in the path of biting northwest winds, reported the coldest weather of the season today. Truck crops as far south as the everglades were threatened. At the Gainesville district and the low of 24 degrees was forecast for Miami was expected to go down said conditions for citrus in low federal-state frost warning service ground spots would be "on the rugged edge." The temperature at 33 to 40 degrees

Threat of frost forced some California citrus growers to break out snudge pots. Temperatures hovered near the 32 mark yesterday in southern California.

A southern flow of warm air promised respite for inland Texas points as well as Kansas, Missouri were below 20 yesterday.

The whumping 18-inch snowfall and Oklahoma where temperatures at Kane are regular winter fare for the area and residents gave it a light-hearted treatment. Not so, however, in Cleveland—or rather part of Cleveland. Wieldy, three-foot snow drifts piled up in the southeastern section of the city, while on the other side of the town the snow barely topped a man's ankle.

Pittsburgh had only a trace of snow, but Meadville, Pa., 90 miles to the north, had 15 inches.

Early morning temperatures today showed Eau Claire, Wis., one of the coldest spots with 2.

Other readings were Duluth 2, International Falls, Minn. 1, New York 31, Chicago 18, Cincinnati 18, Los Angeles 53, New Orleans 38, Pendleton, Ore., 13, Amarillo, Tex. 30, Seattle 51.

## Baptists Meet for Annual Convention

Little Rock, Nov. 19 (P)—The van guard of an expected 1,200 Baptists arrived here today for the opening session of the 98th annual Arkansas Baptist State convention.

Although the conference doesn't officially get underway until tomorrow, ministers hold their pastors conference at 2 p.m. today.

One thousand messengers (delegates) and about 250 visitors are expected to register for the convention at the First Baptist church.

The Baptist brotherhood and organization of laymen, will hold a brotherhood night program at 7 to 10 p.m. Dr. Ralph A. Herring, pastor of the First Baptist church of Winston Salem, N. C., will speak.

Major items on the agenda for convention consideration is the 1952 state budget. Tentatively, the budget calls for an outlay of \$876,283, compared to a 1951 budget of \$743,441.

No one knows what the most distant star is. With the new telescope at Mt. Palomar Observatory, clusters can be seen that are a billion light years away.

Smudges on the wall and ceiling above a radiator are caused by currents of warm air rising from the radiator and carrying along the dust.

## Coroner Rules Murder, Suicide in Ozan Probe

Hazel Perkins, 40-year-old Ozan Negro, shot her husband to death early Sunday morning and sometime during the day committed suicide, Coroner R. V. Herndon, Jr. announced here today.

One vehicle was driven by Ollie Benton, Jr., Emmet and the other by Eddie Logan, Hope. Logan suffered a knee injury and a passenger riding with him, Oralee Bragg, suffered a head injury.

Artemis Benton, mother of Ollie Benton, was slightly injured but his father escaped unharmed. None were considered seriously hurt and all were treated here.

State Policeman Louie Hilton investigated.

About 2 a.m. Sunday morning the negro woman went to the home of Mrs. Jessie City and asked her to call an ambulance because she had just shot her husband. Mrs. City, an elderly woman, told her to go somewhere else as she had no telephone.

Mrs. City's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Holt of Hope, visited her yesterday afternoon and she told them what had occurred. Mr. Holt contacted police.

Deputy Sheriff Allen Ship, State Officers Hilton and Downing went to the Perkins home where they forced their way in and discovered the two bodies.

Investigating officers believed the woman had shot her husband in the head and on returning from Mrs. City's home had shot him again through the heart. Sometime later she had shot herself through the head. Both were believed to have died almost instantly.

The task of trying to convince the appeals court that Collazo's conviction should be set aside and a new trial ordered fell to Lee A. Rover, a one-time U. S. attorney.

The U. S. Court of Appeals said for the third time that he and a companion had in mind when they went to the Blair House the afternoon of Nov. 1, 1950.

Collazo testified at his trial that neither he nor his fellow conspirator, Grisecio Torresola, intended to kill the President or anyone else when they opened fire on White House guards as Mr. Truman napped inside Blair House.

Collazo, however, was quoted as telling a secret service agent shortly after the wild shooting affray that he and Torresola expected to shoot their way into the Blair House to assassinate the President. Government witnesses gave similar testimony during the trial.

Collazo testified that he and Torresola actually intended to set off a demonstration of sufficient magnitude to focus world attention on the cause of Puerto Rican independence.

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The court proceedings today did not call for Collazo's appearance in the courtroom. He remained in "death row" of the District of Columbia jail, where he has been confined since his conviction last March.

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## Holt Is Fined on Perjury Charge

LITTLE ROCK, Nov. 19 (AP)—Movie cowboy Tim Holt today pleaded guilty to a charge that he committed perjury in an effort to obtain an Arkansas divorce and was fined \$200.

Holt did not appear in person in Pulaski county circuit court but entered the plea through his attorney, Conner Limerick of Little Rock.

The charge had been reduced from first degree perjury to second degree perjury. It grew out of testimony in a chancery court several months ago that he had full residence requirements met when in the state's divorce law, according to obtain a divorce. In Arkansas, a person must have been absent from the state 90 days.

Holt later said he had misunderstood a requirement and had believed that his ownership of property in Arkansas qualified him

to compete for divorce from his wife.

Holt was dismissed from his divorce case.

The attorney who represented Holt in his divorce action, Max Howell of Little Rock, said he didn't know at the time he accepted the case that Holt's legal name of Charles Earl Holt Jr.

While Swilling of Little Rock, charged with perjury in the hearing, also entered no plea, Howell was an employee of the Arkansas State Livestock show, where Holt was making personal appearances at the time he filed suit for divorce. Swilling testified Holt was entered in a few contests before the actor was to have

## Weekend Death Toll Climbs to 22

By the Associated Press

A rash of violent deaths over the weekend boosted Arkansas' fatality toll since last Monday to 22.

Twelve persons died Saturday and Sunday from violent causes; four of them were victims of homicide.

Two brothers were shot to death at a Negro night club at Woodson, Ark., 17 miles south of Little Rock on U. S. Highway 65.

Dead are Timothy Echols, 25, and Preston Echols, 23, Sheriff Tom Golley of Polk County said he had arrested Leon Pitts, 48, operator of the El Centro Club in connection with the deaths. Pitts, who claimed he fired in self defense after he was attacked by Timothy Echols, was docketed on two counts of manslaughter and released on \$2,000 bond.

The shooting apparently was the result of an argument over admittance to the private club.

A 27-year-old cotton picker, Alfred Wright of Ozark, perished when the one-room frame house in which he was living near Keo was destroyed by fire late Saturday night. Origin of the fire was unknown, said Lonoke County Sheriff Earl Jackson.

In Russellville, 13-month-old Joyce Wilks, son of Mrs. Joyce Wilks, died Saturday night in a hospital from injuries suffered in a traffic accident a week earlier.

Mr. and Mrs. John Godbold, of near Hughes, were killed Saturday when their car crashed through the railing of a bridge over a bayou.

The car plunged into five feet of water. The accident occurred two miles east of U. S. highway 147 on that Cut Island road near Hughes.

Mrs. Helen Watts, 35, was shot to death in Fayetteville Saturday afternoon. Her former husband, Dick Hudson, 34, has been arrested by Sheriff Bruce Crider.

Mrs. Watts died in a Fayetteville hospital about 30 minutes after she was wounded in the neck by a .30-caliber bullet, the sheriff said.

Crider said he was told the shooting followed an argument between Hudson and Mrs. Watts at Hudson's home.

In Little Rock, the body of a newly born Negro boy was found in a paper sack at the city dump Saturday. Dr. Howard A. Dishongh, Pulaski county coroner, said the infant was murdered. He said a strip of gauze was pulled tightly around the baby's neck.

James M. Post, 35-year-old insurance salesman of Altus, Ark., was killed when his automobile and a truck collided on a highway

## Clubs

**Baker**  
An exhibit of handmade toys and gifts and how to make them was the demonstration given by Mrs. Wier Owens at the Baker Home Demonstration Club Friday evening November 9 at the home of Mrs. Owens. Patterns for the toys were given to the group.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Owens. The American Creed was repeated and the group sang the song of the month.

The devotional was given by Miss Jo Jo Owens followed by the Lord's Prayer. Nine members answered roll call by telling of one way to gift wrap a package for Christmas.

During the business meeting officers for 1952 were elected as follows: president, Mrs. Wier Owens; vice president, Mrs. J. L. McFaul; treasurer, Mrs. T. B. Fenwick. A committee was appointed to meet and make flower arrangements for sale for Christmas gifts. An auction was held following the business meeting, proceeds going to the secretary.

During the social hour each member of the club was given a message by Mrs. Fenwick. Mrs. J. W. White won the surprise package. Refreshments were served by the hostess after which the meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Fenwick December 14 in her home on West Avenue B.

## Dodge Wins 6 of 9 Truck Championships

B. R. Hamm of B. R. Hamm Motor company, Dodge dealers, has received word that 59 of the 97 state champions competing in the three major events of the 1951 National Truck Rodeo in Cheyenne chose Dodge "Job-Bated" trucks to drive in the spirited contest for national titles.

Six of the nine national championships awarded in the straight truck, the tractor single-axle semi-trailer, and the tractor tandem-axle semi-trailer classes were won by contestants driving Dodge trucks.

All three places in the tractor single-axle semi-trailer event were won by drivers who chose a Dodge JA-120 (2½-ton) truck. Albert D. Pinnatach, driver for Merchants Motor Freight, Inc., St. Paul, Minn., won the national title in this event.

Others Royster, driver for Pacific Intermountain Express, Oakland, Calif., was second and J. Clark Gilbert, driver for Inland Motor Freight, Spokane, Wash., won third.

Two of the three championships in the straight truck event were won by drivers who chose Dodge GA-102 (1½-ton) truck. They included

Kenneth A. Folck, driver for Lee & Estates, Inc., Portland, Ore., who won second, and Elvie A. Harris, driver for Great Southern Trucking Co., Jacksonville, Fla., who won third.

Five state champions who had won their titles in state eliminations while driving other makes of trucks switched to Dodge trucks in the national finals after they drove them on a Chicago practice course.

Eight manufacturers offered trucks to the national finals, and the 97 champions representing 34 states were free to choose any of the eight trucks to drive. Sixty per cent of the champions chose Dodge trucks to drive in their bid for national titles miles north of Moorriston Saturday.

John I. Wagner, 24, of Lamaca, was killed when his automobile overturned near Fort Smith Saturday.

Thirteen-year-old John Willard Gates, injured last Tuesday when he tried to board a moving freight train at Little Rock, died Saturday. Surgeons had amputated both legs and the left hand in an effort to save the boy's life.

Ben H. Chitwood, 60, a sawmill worker who lived in the Bonneville community of Garfield county, was killed Saturday night when his car left highway 70 and struck a tree 14 miles south of Hot Springs.

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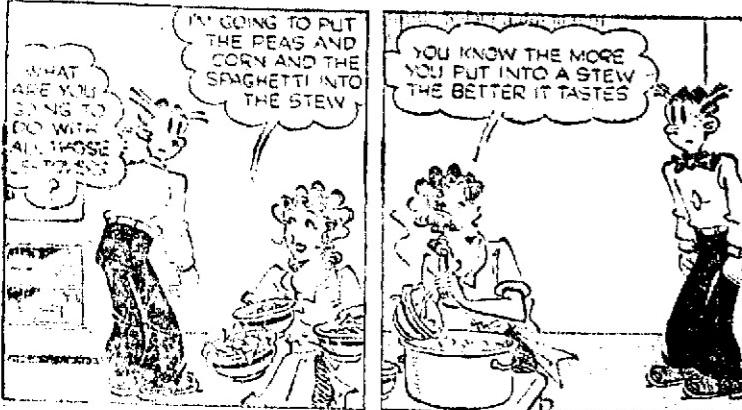
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By Chick Young



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By Roy Gott

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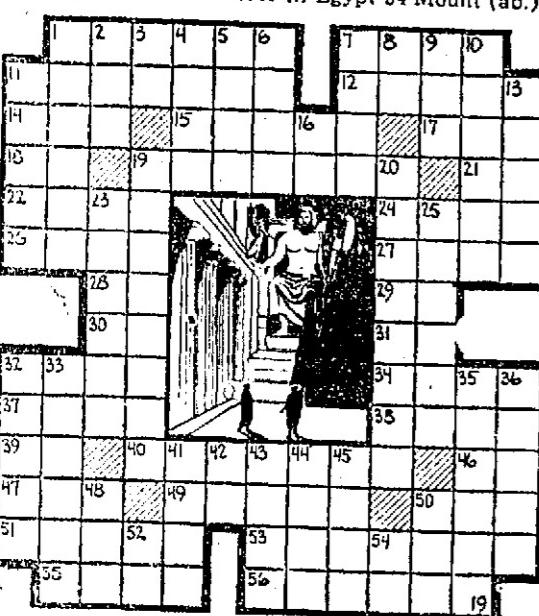
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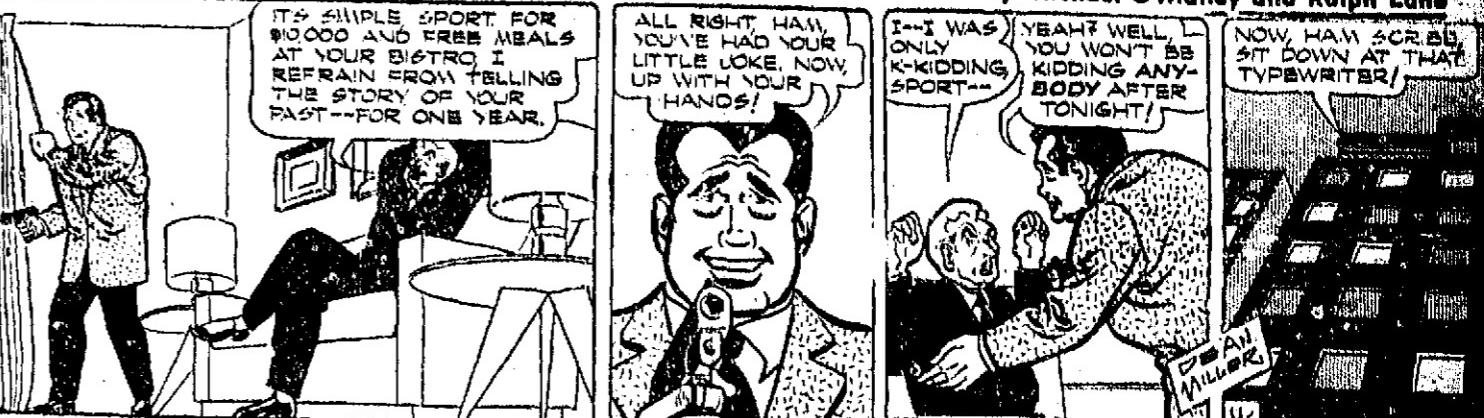
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